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Dear Chairman Isenberg,

During the Webcam presentation of the BRTF meeting of 1/31/06, you stated to Steve Gaines and Mark Carr your appreciation of their self-less participation. That occurred right after they were critical of Option or Plan 1. You stated for the record that they were participating without pay, and that you were surprised (in jest) that they even spoke to BRTF.

Let me remind you that Gaines received a Pew Fellowship of \$150,000 specifically to participate in the MLPA, and both Gaines and Mark Carr belong to PISCO, which is subsidized by the Packard Foundation, the same outfit that is footing much of the the bill for the current process. They are well paid to ADVOCATE for marine reserves, and their grants and academic work are directed at advocating for reserves. Larval transport is the justification for networks of marine reserves, and the focus of PISCO research. A recent peer reviewed study by the Southwest Fisheries Science Center, Santa Cruz demonstrated that rockfish larvae remain in gyres (circular water patterns) near the parents. So much for distant larval transport. Please recall that the only species mentioned by Mark Carr in relation to larval transport was seabastes (rockfish).

<http://www.scienceblog.com/community/older/archives/F/ucsb396.html>

<http://www.ucsbdailynews.com/news/2003/5709.html>

<http://www.piscoweb.org/who/pi>

Kaitilin Gaffney, Karen Garrison, Warner Chabot and the rest of the corporate environmental organizations represented by Plans 2 are generously salaried functionaries. They receive benefit packages and all expenses to participate in the Stakeholder process and attend BRTF meetings. That is their job, their only job.

The Howard Egans and other stakeholders are funding their participation out of pocket, and are truly sacrificing time and income from their businesses and families to participate.

In the future, if you are so moved to applaud the participation of anyone in the MLPA process, please refrain from erroneous public pronouncements that certain participants are “unpaid”, thus painting them and the content of their statements with the false patina of selflessness.

Respectfully,

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